

WOULD PUT STATE OUT OF BUSINESS

Mistake Evident as to Decision on Radford Normal School Case.

ENGLISH TAX EXPERT CALLS

Investigates Virginia's System. New Consul for Republic of Cuba.

According to information received at the office of the Governor, the published statements regarding the nature of the decision rendered in the Radford Normal School case by the Supreme Court have been entirely mistaken. Were the construction put upon the decision at Radford correct, a most serious situation would arise throughout the State.

The petitioners of the West Ward of Radford based their application for an injunction to prevent the purchase of the Heth site for the normal school on two grounds. One of these was that the board of trustees is not legally constituted, since it has not been confirmed by the Senate; the other that it was contemplated by the Legislature, in establishing the school, that the Adams site should be purchased for the purpose.

Statements sent out from Radford were to the effect that the Supreme Court granted the injunction on both of these grounds, thus declaring the board of trustees an illegal body. It now appears, however, that this is not the case, but that the court simply certified the injunction in a few words, without explanation.

Might Attack All. It has always been the custom in Virginia for members of boards appointed to act by the Governor in vacation of the Legislature have taken their seats and acted with full authority until the next meeting of the State Senate.

Such was the course followed, it is understood, in the appointment of the boards for the other normal schools, and their action in buying sites might be similarly attacked. Besides, similar circumstances might arise in connection with any one of the many boards in the State.

For example, through death or resignation, a majority of members of a board might vacate. A period of eighteen months might elapse before the next meeting of the Senate, and, according to the construction placed upon the Radford decision, the institution affected would have to shut up shop. The penitentiary would have to close its doors, for no supplies could be purchased. Inmates of insane asylums might starve because there was no quorum of a board to order food. The situation would be intolerable.

It is evident that the court has reversed its decision on some technical ground, and that lower court will proceed to hear the case on its merits.

EXAMINES TAXATION

Commissioner From Great Britain Looks Into Virginia System.

Especially commissioned by the Lord Commissioners of the Treasury of Great Britain, to examine into and report upon tax systems in the United States, E. M. Bowers, a British subject, called on Governor Mann yesterday.

Mr. Bowers had letters of introduction from Arthur Mann, to whom he had been presented by Ambassador James Bryce.

He is an expert of the British inland Revenue Department, and has been sent to this country to look into methods and powers of local authorities in taxation for local purposes. Mr. Bowers spent some time conferring with the Governor, with the Chief of the Corporation Commission R. T. Wilson, and with Tax Commissioner D. S. Freeman.

The latter took him to the City Hall to converse with the Richmond officials having charge of taxation. Mr. Bowers was quite complimentary in his expressions regarding the Virginia corporation laws. It appears that in England, railways are taxed by parishes, which is regarded as an unsatisfactory system.

New Cuban Consul. J. B. Cabrera, consul from the republic of Cuba to the port of Newport News, yesterday filed his papers in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Mr. Cabrera has secured his exequatur from the President of the United States, and given notice that he has established his consulate at 119 Twenty-sixth Street, Newport News, and that his office hours will be from 10 to 12 A. M. and from 2 to 4 P. M.

New Exhibits. Additional exhibits are being placed from day to day in the Hall of Exhibits in the State Library building by railroads and coal companies. They are being cared for, but will not be put into position until next week. Before many weeks the entire exhibit will be open to the public.

MILITARY DEADLOCK

No Result of Election for Major in Second Regiment.

A deadlock has arisen in the election for a major for the First Battalion

CATARRH OF BLADDER AND KIDNEYS A FREQUENT AND DREADED DISEASE

Pres. Newhof Promptly Relieved by Pe-ru-na.

C. B. Newhof, 10 Delaware Street, Albany, N. Y., President Montefiore Club, writes:

"Since my advanced age I find that I have been frequently troubled with urinary ailments.

"The bladder seemed irritated, and my physician said it was catarrh caused by a protracted cold which would be difficult to overcome on account of my advanced years.

"I took Peru-na, hardly daring to believe that I would be helped, but I found, to my relief, that I soon began to mend.

"The irritation gradually subsided and the urinary difficulties passed away.

"I have enjoyed excellent health now for the past seven months.

"I enjoy my meals, sleep soundly, and am as well as I was twenty years ago. I give all praise to Peru-na."

Liver and Kidney Trouble.

Mr. George Forrester, 2747 Mascher Street, Philadelphia, Pa., writes: "We have great faith in Peru-na.

"My wife's condition was such that she thought she would die, as the doctors could not help her dyspepsia and catarrh of the stomach. Now she can eat anything. We keep Peru-na in the house all the time, but it is only once in a while that she needs to use it.

"I was subject to liver and kidney trouble, which resulted in rheumatic pains, but I have not had a pain since I took Peru-na, and very little liver trouble, as Peru-na keeps the digestive organs in good working order, and that is the main thing."

of the Second Virginia Infantry, under exactly similar circumstances to that with the battalion of Coast Artillery. At an election held at Front Royal, Captain G. O. Leach received five votes and Captain E. L. Slaughter, four. One officer eligible to vote was not present.

The Governor has expressed the opinion that under the military law a majority of all persons eligible to vote is necessary for the election of an officer, holding this in the Coast Artillery case. It would, therefore, seem that no election has been held.

The report of the election was received yesterday at the office of the Adjutant-General.

Commissioner Calls. L. C. Christian, Commissioner of the Revenue for Charles City county, called at the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts yesterday.

CAVALIERI DUPED CHANLER AND GOT ENTIRE FORTUNE

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of Prince Dolgorouki she got the ear of high officials, and they tried to persuade the Czar to give his consent. But the autocrat of the Russias was obstinate. The fair Lina and the handsome prince were the principals in a heart-rending and tearful parting and she returned to Paris. On April 15, as she had become, she called Chanler that she would marry him.

Hurries to Chanler's Side. Within less than a month Chanler was on his way to Paris. Arriving there, he lost no time in getting to the home of the fair Lina in the Champs Elysees neighborhood and embracing her with the ardor of a successful lover. Then Chanler began to count the minutes when the great prima donna would share his name and fortune, little thinking that within a very few months she would not only "share" his fortune, but have possession of every cent of it.

It was not many days before the infatuated American artist, sheriff, dilettante and politician began to talk about setting a date for the wedding. Now Mme. Cavalleri may have the artistic temperament, but her business sense and acumen is beyond question. The talk of the wedding naturally brought on negotiations concerning the amount that would be settled on Madame.

A French notary and an English solicitor, Cavalleri's representatives, called on Chanler and began to ply him with questions concerning his financial standing. At their behest he went into details concerning his fortune, telling them just how much property he had, where it was situated and how certain portions of it were tied up in trust funds. He explained to them that he and his first wife



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had been divorced and that enough of his inheritance had been made into a trust fund to give her alimony of \$20,000 a year. Then he showed that he had about \$20,000 a year left in French notary and the English solicitor went away.

Tells of Sordid Early Life.

About ten days later, four days before the wedding, which occurred on June 18, Madame Lina sent for Chanler. Then she made with him one of the strangest pre-nuptial arrangements ever heard of. In the first place, she told him the story of her life. In detail she related to him all the experiences of her childhood; how as a girl she had been the playmate of aristocrats who had dined her with jewels, fine gowns, costly hats, expensive lingerie and the thousand and one things dear to the heart of a professional beauty—a woman who must get rich before she gets old.

Chanler heard all of this, but he was so filled with a desire to possess Cavalleri that it did not disturb him.

Agrees to a Deception. Then she told him how the father of her sixteen-year-old son was known only to a few persons and not to the son himself. She made as one of the conditions of her marrying Chanler that he should sign a statement acknowledging this boy as his son, notwithstanding the fact that when this son was born Chanler was not even in the country.

As a person as Lina as Cavalleri lived, Chanler craved with love for the operative siren was willing to do even this. But friends in Rome, whom Mme. Cavalleri consulted, advised against this, pointing out it would possibly affect the boy's right to inherit the enormous fortune his mother has accumulated in various ways.

Then on the third day before the wedding, while Chanler was being addressed and petted by the beautiful prima donna, the English solicitor and the French notary reappeared, bringing with them formidable legal documents. At the same time Cavalleri's brother, Orestes, walked into the room.

Signs His Fortune Away.

Taking the documents from the solicitor and the notary, Cavalleri ran up to Chanler, threw her arms around his neck, kissed him and told him he must sign the papers before she could marry him. She explained to him that by signing these papers he would be transferring all his fortune to her. But also she told him what excellent care she would take of him; how she would live with the one thought of making his life happy, managing his fortune and keeping from him all the annoyances and cares of business life, leaving him free to paint pictures and love her to his fullest desire. Chanler signed the documents and transferred everything he possessed, even his interest in the alimony fund, to the prima donna.

On June 18 of this year "La Belle Lina" and "Sheriff Bob" were married in the little borough hall of the Eighth Arrondissement, the fashionable Elysee quarter of Paris. After performing the civil ceremony the Mayor of the arrondissement made an address of felicitation and then the party drove to the Bois de Boulogne, and there in the Pavillon d'Armenonville was served a wedding breakfast, at which the usual toasts were drunk. Lina and Chanler then settled down to what Chanler thought was going to be the happiest existence man ever knew.

Alimony Him \$20 a Month. But two or three days afterward Chanler began to see things in a different light. He had been spending his time on enormous mural paintings. He did not see many of these paintings, and Cavalleri thought this was energy wasted. One morning after Chanler had finished his coffee and rolls, the fair Lina, who now controlled the purse strings, announced that she thought he would be allowed each month 100 francs, or \$20. She agreed to board and lodge him, but out of this \$20 he was to pay his valet, and was to buy his clothes and meet those hundred and one little expenses he had always incurred.

"It's time for you to get to work and earn your living anyway," she told him. Chanler got to work. At her behest he would go out into the parks and paint two by four pictures, which Cavalleri thought would have some market value. Until a few days ago he painted these pictures and sold them when he could. In the meantime he was telling his troubles to Henry Claws, Jr., Robert Lee MacCammon and other New Yorkers with whom he was intimate.

Prince Displeases Him. Re-enter Prince Dolgorouki. Once married to Chanler and in possession of all his property, Cavalleri, it is said, fanned anew her flame for the handsome Russian. Her neck had not

had time to become accustomed to the matrimonial yoke before she communicated with Dolgorouki and he rushed across Europe to her side, where he has been ever since. When the prince appeared on the scene, Chanler had to take a back seat. He was only Cavalleri's husband.

Dolgorouki began to lavish jewels, flowers and the like on the singer. Then also began long automobile trips through the country surrounding Paris with Dolgorouki, while Chanler, only her husband, painted his little pictures in the parks of Paris, and sold them when he could. His friends took them when his purse would allow him to let them know he needed the money. This kind of painting was as distasteful to Chanler as house painting.

Chanler Had to Dine Alone.

While he would dine evenings in the Cavalleri home, 22 Avenue de Messine—and it is known as the Cavalleri establishment, and not as the residence of the Chanlers—the prima donna and Prince Dolgorouki and their friends would be partaking of banquets at the great Parisian restaurants or bijou suppers in the various clubs and in the suburbs.

Then Mme. Cavalleri became ill and there was an operation for appendicitis. At the hospital Chanler was only tolerated by the singer. It was Dolgorouki who was welcomed. Chanler's friends say that on a number of occasions he would call to see his wife, and when he got into her room he would find Prince Dolgorouki sitting on the foot of her bed, laughing and chatting with her. The two would exchange tender glances, while the husband looked on, unwilling to make a scene because they were in a hospital and because Madame was ill.

When Cavalleri left the hospital she went to Cabourg, near Trouville. Her son, her brother Orestes, Prince Dolgorouki and several maids accompanied her. Chanler followed a few days later, and when he found Prince Dolgorouki there he gave up in disgust, and after a long conference with his brother, William Astor Chanler, started for America with Mrs. William Astor Chanler and Mrs. Ashley, the latter's mother.

"WHO'S LOONY NOW?" John Armstrong Chanlerer Asks Question, but Answer Is Not Made Public. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, September 10.—The last vestige of romance in the matrimonial affairs of Robert Winthrop Chanler, the eccentric young millionaire, and his bride of a few months, Lina Cavalleri, disappeared to-day in a cloud of legal smoke. "Bob" Chanler and his two brothers, Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler and Winthrop Chanler, together with "Bob's" lawyer, Sidney Harris, met in secret conference this afternoon at the Chanler home in Dutchess county, and took steps to secure "Bob's" release from the diva, and also to prevent Madame Cavalleri from getting possession of any of the young man's \$500,000 fortune, which he deemed to her a few days before the marriage ceremony in Paris.

The three brothers believe the long arm of the law, backed with the wealth and the prestige of their powerful family, can reach across the ocean, and sever the last matrimonial and monetary ties that bind "Bob" to Lina.

"We are willing to spend every cent we possess to free Bob from this woman," is the statement of the young man's family.

The Chanler family do not believe it will be difficult for Bob to obtain a divorce from his wife, providing they can persuade him to take legal action, either in French or American courts.

In the meantime, it is pointed out, Cavalleri herself must bring suit if she hopes to reap from the paper Bob's alleged to have signed, turning over his entire fortune to her. Chanler's fortune amounts in round figures to about \$500,000. This sum, however, is divided over by six hard-headed financiers, who were placed in charge of the young man's heritage when his father and aunt, Mrs. Delano, died.

Several weeks ago, it was learned at the office of the Chanler estate, a copy of an ante-nuptial agreement, signed by Chanler before two Parisian advocates, was received by the trustees of the Chanler estate. The trustees simply smiled, however, and tabled the agreement, together with letters which he had received praying "early payment."

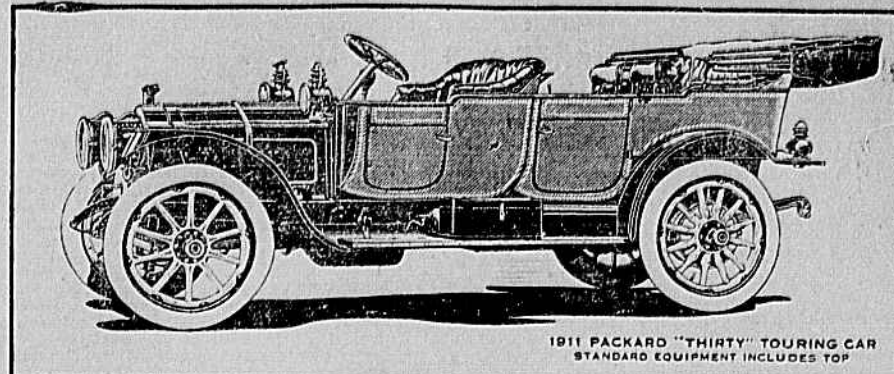
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Mrs. Chanler did not surprise friends of the latter in this city to-day. It was freely stated among friends of the diva that she had frequently stated that she was marrying the wealthy young American for his money, and that she did not love him.

Arthur Hammerstein, who knew Cavalleri intimately when she was one of his father's song birds, simply smiled when asked if he had heard of the split.

"Lina's actions are no surprise to me," he commented. "I knew this would be the outcome of the 'basis of frankness' romance. Cavalleri frequently stated to her friends that she did not love Chanler and would not have 'looked' at him but for his money. I am certain that she told Chanler the same thing before she married him. But, of course, when a man's that far gone, nothing matters."

"Still," continued Mr. Hammerstein, "I don't blame Lina much. She didn't try to deceive Chanler. He went into the matrimonial arrangement with his eyes open, and now he ought to take his medicine like a man."

Cabled reports also had it that Cavalleri made it as another condition attached to her marriage that Chanler acknowledge the paternity of her sixteen-year-old son, whom the young American had never seen or heard of.

"Why, it had never before been published that Lina had a son almost half

as old as herself, although all her friends knew it," said Arthur Hammerstein. "I do not know the name of the boy or who his father really is, but I believe he is in Europe now. He was placed in a school on the Continent, where his mother, I believe, visits him frequently."

Cavalleri's closest friend in New York was Mme. Jessie Baskerville, the noted grand opera "coach." Mme. Baskerville returned six weeks ago from a European trip, during which she visited the newly-married Chanler and Chanler in Paris. On her return to this country, she pronounced the Chanlers an ideally happy couple. Love was weaving a roseate hued dream in their case, said Mme. Baskerville.

It was only a couple of days later that Mme. Baskerville, busy working in her office in the Metropolitan Opera Building, received a summons which led to announce her sudden departure for Europe. She sailed, and is thought to be with Cavalleri now in Paris.

"Bob" Chanler, looking pale and careworn, kept himself in seclusion to-day. So did Mrs. Richard Aldrich, his sister, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. William Astor Chanler. In fact, only one statement was secured from the distraught young husband all day.

"Keep-away-get-out-leave-me-alone-don't-see-I-don't-want-to-talk," was what he yelled in his best Galling gun manner.

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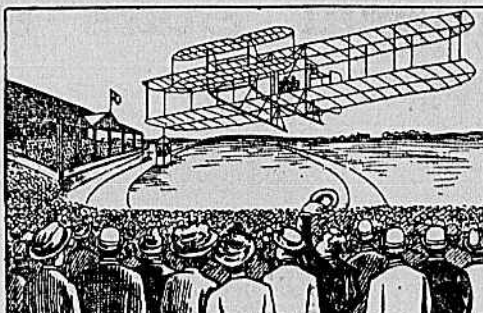
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